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HOUSE AGRICULTURE AND NATURAL RESOURCES COMMITTEE ENGROSSED NO. **HCR1004** - 2/2/00

Introduced by: Representatives Weber, Chicoine, Crisp, Engbrecht, Klaudt, Koehn, Kooistra, Lockner, Nachtigal, and Waltman and Senators Symens, Dennert, Duxbury, Kleven, Kloucek, and Lange

1 A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION, Urging Congress to schedule hearings to increase net farm
2 income and improve living conditions in rural America.

3 WHEREAS, the unparalleled agricultural productivity of the American people should be an
4 asset for our nation; and

5 WHEREAS, net cash income for 2000 is projected by the U.S. Department of Agriculture
6 to be \$49.7 billion, which is \$9.4 billion less than 1999; and

7 WHEREAS, the prices paid for farm commodities have been depressed for the past several
8 years; and

9 WHEREAS, U.S. agricultural exports have declined \$10 billion from the record levels of
10 1996; and

11 WHEREAS, U.S. farmers and ranchers need profitable export and domestic markets:

12 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the House of Representatives of the Seventy-
13 fifth Legislature of the State of South Dakota, the Senate concurring therein, that the United
14 States Congress and federal administration are urged to schedule hearings regarding the best
15 methods of increasing net farm income. Topics should include expanded open and competitive

- 1 markets, commodity deflation, risk management, federal government rules and regulations, and
- 2 the farm bill.

1 **BILL HISTORY**

2 1/27/00 Scheduled for Committee hearing on this date.

3 2/1/00 Scheduled for Committee hearing on this date.

4 2/1/00 Agriculture and Natural Resources Adopt Resolution as Amended, AYES 12, NAYS 0.

5 H.J. 338